



Application No.: 09/733,455  
Office Action Mailed November 16, 2004  
Attorney Docket: BENDF-004B (formerly BENDE-008B)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants:	THEODORE V. BENDEREV	)	Confirmation No. 2632
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Serial No.:	09/733,455	)	Art Unit: 3731
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Filed:	DECEMBER 8, 2000	)	Examiner: DAVID O. REIP
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For:	SYSTEMS FOR SECURING	)	
	SUTURES, GRAFTS AND SOFT TISSUE TO		
	BONE AND PERIOSTEUM		

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION / RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action of November 16, 2004, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to proceed with prosecution of the species depicted in Figures 16 and 16a and claimed by Claims 19-20 and 35. Accordingly, all remaining claims except for Claims 19-20 and 35 are hereby withdrawn.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.